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January 2011

Andrew County Commission
Courthouse
Savannah MO 64485

Dear Commissioners:

First of all, thank you for all you do for the people of Andrew County and for Andrew County Extension. When you support University of Missouri Extension, Andrew County benefits!

- Students who participate in 4-H are more likely to go to college and enjoy increased financial success. 4-H is investing in a stronger tax base for Andrew County's future.

- Family Nutrition Education Programs teach kids about nutrition, food safety, and physical activity for lifelong health and fitness. Changing lifestyle choices to be healthier can make a huge, positive difference in Missouri’s costs for Medicaid.

- Building Strong Families program believes that all individuals and families have strengths that can be enhanced if they are treated as partners in their own learning process.

- Increased profitability from livestock and forage production has a positive impact on the economy in Andrew County and all of Missouri.

- Andrew County Family Financial Education efforts reach out to probation and parole clients; as well as low-income residents. Our workshops help offenders replace illegal, ill-informed financial decisions with the confidence to take control of their financial futures and to establish financial stability. Low income individuals and families gain knowledge and skills to assist in the improvement of their family’s well-being. This helps reduce the demands on Missouri’s overburdened prison system and probation and parole system; as well as the government support organizations.

Rebecca J. Harrick
County Program Director

University of Missouri, Lincoln University, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Local University Extension Councils Cooperating

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January 2012

Dear County Commissioners and Associated Friends of MU Extension:

“Efficiency” and “Innovation” are two watchwords of citizens and government in our currently challenging economy. I am pleased to report that University of Missouri Extension has kept these words in the forefront and acted accordingly for the benefit of Missouri residents statewide.

Funded through the support of federal, state and county government; grants and contracts; fees for services; and private gifts, MU Extension leverages every dollar received to create expanded educational opportunities. Every dollar provided from counties is leveraged with an additional $6.00 to create a significant return on investment.

MU Extension creates value for citizens – including those who do not participate directly in its programs. For example:

- **The federal Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program** provided $1.6 million to the state of Missouri. These funds provide nutrition education to limited-resource families. Participants who graduate from the program improve the way they manage their food dollars; demonstrate acceptable food safety practices and make healthier food choices. A healthy labor force is critical to attracting and keeping jobs in Missouri. In addition, this important program reduces healthcare costs over the participant’s lifetime, saving taxpayers money in reduced public healthcare benefits and insurance premiums.

- **2011 has been a difficult year due to natural disasters in Missouri. The MU Extension statewide Community Emergency Management Program and local emergency management groups provided immediate on-site assistance by coordinating with the State Emergency Management Agency, Red Cross and other groups and by providing online resources through web pages and other media. As a result, citizens learned how to avoid scammers, ensure safe drinking water and food, and recover from a disaster. MU Extension’s emergency management program helps communities, businesses, schools and residents reduce a community’s disaster recovery period. This action saves lives and countless dollars in emergency recovery operations and avoids job loss. Additionally, the whole community builds a greater sense of cohesion.**

These are just two examples of MU Extension’s public value impact. I’m sure you will find many other examples in your local community.

I want to thank you for your support of MU Extension as a critical team player in your locale. Your ideas for improving our partnership are always welcome.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Ouart
Vice Provost and Director

University of Missouri, Lincoln University, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Local Extension Councils Cooperating

**EQUAl OPPORTUNITY/ADA INSTITUTIONS**
### Number of Andrew County Learners

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<th>Total Hours of Collective Workshop Participation in 2011</th>
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<td>172 Andrew County participants that include:</td>
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<td>Evaluation of the various workshops shows that participants learn:</td>
<td>• One hundred percent of the participants had written financial goals by the conclusion of all MU Extension programs I teach.</td>
<td>Providing financial education to the citizens of Andrew County empower them to make better financial decisions. These decisions affect spending within the communities, thus increasing local sales taxes available for county programs.</td>
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<td>• Women Farmers/Landowners</td>
<td>9,632 contact hours of learning by Andrew County people</td>
<td>• Values affect all aspects of their lives.</td>
<td>• Many indicate they will track their income and expenses for a spending plan.</td>
<td>Self-supporting counties rely less upon state support. Thus improving the financial health of their county.</td>
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<td>• Chamber of Commerce members</td>
<td>Programs included topics on:</td>
<td>• Goal setting is an essential skill for life.</td>
<td>• Improve communication with family about money.</td>
<td>When you support MU Extension’s Making Money Count program, participants learn to track their spending for 30 days, which leads to increased success in reaching family financial goals, which benefits other community members by reducing the amount of time financially distressed workers spend focusing on financial issues at work.</td>
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<td>• Andrew County Rotary Club members</td>
<td>• Planning Your Spending</td>
<td>• Their decision making process can always improve.</td>
<td>• Start building an emergency fund.</td>
<td>When you support MU Extension’s When Creditors are Predators program, participants learn how predatory loans work and what they cost and who predatory lenders target, which leads to reduced cost of credit for low-income families and increased family financial stability, which benefits other community members by decreasing the number of predatory lenders operating in Missouri and reducing the growth of predatory lending in rural Missouri.</td>
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<td>• Probation and Parole members</td>
<td>• Predatory Lending</td>
<td>• How to track income and expenses.</td>
<td>• Make paying off debt a high priority.</td>
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### Geographic Reach

2-3 minute recorded radio segments and written news releases were e-mailed every other week to the following radio, cable, and television stations and newspapers across the Northwest Region.

- KFEO/KSJQ
- KMZU, KNIM
- KRSS, KTNC
- KXCV/KRNW
- Regional Radio Cameron, and KQ2 and St. Joe Now.


### Economic Value

The economic value to each county in the region has not been determined at this time.

Utilizing the Internet, I reach a much larger audience from across the United States.

University of Missouri Extension-Andrew County facebook page is used to provide financial information and specific event information.

DrTravFinanceEd is my Twitter.com account used to share short bytes of financial information.

As a Tweeter, I have shared 931 tweets (140 characters or less) on a vast array of financial and related topics. I also have 120 followers.

### Education Topics

- Recorded radio segments and written news release topics were coordinated.

2011 financial topics focused on:
  - 13 Smart $ Moves
  - Borrowing Your $ 
  - Buying a Car
  - Contractor Fraud
  - Couponing
  - Credit Scores
  - Tax Laws
  - Choosing a Financial Advisor
  - Home Equity Loans
  - Reducing Holiday Financial Stress
  - Small Steps to Health & Wealth
  - How to Use Your Refund

### The Power of Traditional and Social Media

Individuals and families, with today's demands, must make decisions to improve their well-being within their daily lives.

Many individuals listen to radio stations going to and from work and other activities. They may read newspapers and/or listen to the radio at work.

Family members may be able to access the Internet at home of an evening.

Providing quality, research-based financial education when individuals and families can read, listen, or access it is very important. Being accessible when they are makes a big difference.

### How Does This Work Make Andrew County and Missouri Better?

University of Missouri Extension provides individuals and families with unbiased, quality, research-based information whenever and wherever individuals and families want to access it.

Providing accurate and useful financial information aids in developing and encouraging smart, intelligent consumers making good decisions in spending, saving, and living. This in turn increases local, regional, and state economies.
FAMILY FINANCIAL EDUCATION
Improving Family and Community Economic Impact with the MoTax Program
DR. REBECCA J. TRAVNICHEK, AFC®

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<td>63 taxpayers had their 2010 federal and/or Missouri income tax returns prepared for FREE and e-filed in Andrew County.</td>
<td>As a part of the Missouri Taxpayer Educational Initiative (MoTax), I serve as Greeter, Tax Preparer, Quality Reviewer, E-filer, Site Coordinator, and all other positions required to serve as an IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program tax site.</td>
<td>Taxpayers learned: There are resources available to help them save their hard earned money to pay to have their tax return prepared. There is more to having a tax return prepared than just crunching numbers. Education and learning is a part of the package with a VITA site. They learned where their county extension office is located and become aware of the vast amount of information, resources, and classes available thru the office, much of which is available at no cost.</td>
<td>In the 2010 tax filing season (2011), several taxpayers owed federal and/or state taxes for the year. I helped them prepare new W-4s and MO W-4s to take to their employers for 2011. Reviewed written resources available during their tax appointment, including discussion on ways to best use tax refunds. During this discussion, financial management skills are identified and recommendations for improvements and educational workshops are encouraged.</td>
<td>Many working individuals are eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit, or EITC. Households that qualify for the EITC could receive a tax refund of more than $6,000. The EITC is a powerful work incentive and the single most effective anti-poverty program in existence. Its money that families can use to put food on the table… move into better housing… invest in education… save for the future… and contribute back to the community. When you support the MoTax Initiative, taxpayers save an average of $200 in tax preparation fees per year and avoid high-cost refund anticipation loans, which leads to getting current and staying current on bills and reduced family debt, which benefits other community members by stimulating the economy, beginning in the taxpayer’s community, through federal and state tax refund dollars and dollars from tax credits and reducing demand for public assistance.</td>
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<td>Refunds totaled $103,102 from these 63 tax returns. This shows an average economic impact of $1,636.54 per taxpayer.</td>
<td>In order to participate as a VITA site, it is necessary to attend the IRS Tax Law training and successfully complete five or more certification exams. This involved reading resources and utilizing TaxWise software to complete case studies for the different levels of tax preparation; as well as site coordinator certification.</td>
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<td>For ALL of my FREE VITA tax sites combined, over 167 taxpayers received $240,963 in federal and state refunds. On average, taxpayers had an average economic impact of $1,442.89 per taxpayer. Total overall income taxes required to be paid to federal and states were $18,260.</td>
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MoTax
Missouri Taxpayer Education
# Nutrition & Health Education

## Show-Me Nutrition Educational Displays

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<th>Program Focus</th>
<th>What Nutrition/Health Topics Have Been or Will Be Used?</th>
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| The Show Me Nutrition Education Display Boards are provided by University of Missouri Extension and the Family Nutrition Education Program to help low-income Missourians stay current on important nutrition and health topics, to help maintain a healthy lifestyle. In Andrew County, the Show Me Nutrition Education Display Boards are displayed in Schools, especially in schools where a school nurse is not on staff and at the Andrew County Health Department. Topics that have been covered are Nutrition and Learning, Breakfast and Healthy Celebrations. The displays are changed monthly. Everyone is encouraged to view the display board, which include free handouts with more information and all are encouraged to use the information and knowledge gained to improve their own lives and model the changes to students and families. | Nutrition  
Food Safety  
Hand Washing  
Physical activity through  
Show-Me Nutrition Education  
Show-Me Nutrition Displays  
MyPlate Activity  
Food Power Adventures  
Food Power Young Adventures |

Bill Coulardy, Director of the Andrew County Health Department, helps Sue Robison, Nutrition Program Associate for Andrew County put up a new display board.
### Number of Andrew County Learners

527 Andrew County participants

University of Missouri Extension Family Nutrition Education Programs (FNEP) reached 16,971 low-income participants with nutrition education in the Northwest Region during 2011. FNEP provides information on nutrition, food safety, and physical activity for lifelong health and fitness.

Nutrition education for youths provides information in kid-friendly terms and lessons with hands-on activities. Activities include opportunities for taste-testing healthy foods and practicing skills that lead to good health. Education for adults includes nutrition, food safety, physical activity, and food resource management.

### School Districts Served

Programming into the following Andrew County School Buildings:
- North Andrew
- Amazonia
- Minnie Cline

Programming in the following Andrew County Organizations and/or Agencies:
- Community Action Partnership
- Andrew County Health Department

### What Did They Learn?

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### What Action Did They Take?

- A repeat first grader told me last year during the vegetable lesson that he was not eating that “crap” and he didn’t! This year during the same lesson, he tasted broccoli, carrots, and snow peas. He took one bite from each and showed me a thumbs down. His teacher was very proud of him. Although he didn’t change his mind about liking the vegetables, he did at least taste them without complaining and that was a big accomplishment for him!

Teachers reported on students:
- 91% of students are more aware of nutrition
- 62% make healthier choices
- 47% eat breakfast more often
- 76% more willing to try new foods
- 84% improved hand washing
- 62% more activity

### How Does This Work Make Andrew County and Missouri Better?

The Family Nutrition Program (FNEP) brought $8,951,100.00 in Federal funds to the state of Missouri. These funds were used to provide nutrition education to 433,152 food stamp recipients and food stamp eligible citizens of Missouri. Five hundred twenty-seven of these participants reside in Andrew County.

Participants in FNEP become more aware of nutrition, make healthier meal and snack choices, eat breakfast more often, are more willing to try new foods, increase their physical activity and in general make healthier food choices. Those who practice healthy eating and activity behaviors are more likely to enjoy a high quality of life as an adult and into old age. A healthy labor force is critical to attracting and keeping jobs in Missouri. In addition, this important programming effort serves to reduce healthcare costs over the participant’s lifetime, saving taxpayers money in reduced public healthcare benefits and insurance premiums.

**Gina Ripley gets the “thumbs up” sign from Kindergarteners at Minnie Cline Elementary School in Savannah, MO.**
# Forage/Livestock Production

**2011 University of Missouri Extension Commercial Agriculture State Beef Tour**

*Jim R. Humphrey, Livestock Specialist, Andrew County*

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<td>150 plus Forage/Livestock Producers</td>
<td>Forage Production and Management</td>
<td>Variation in forage production and quality that occurs throughout the growing season.</td>
<td>Feeding programs were modified and/or balanced based on forage/ingredient availability and/or forage test results and the costs assigned to these respective ingredients.</td>
<td>By taking a total quality management approach to the over 24,000 head of beef cattle and over 20,000 acres of forage utilized in Andrew County annually.</td>
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<td>Beef Cattle Production and Management</td>
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<td>Agriculture plays a key role in our local, regional, national and world economies.</td>
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<td>Genetic Testing</td>
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<td>Increased profitability from livestock and forage production has a positive impact on the economy in Andrew County and all of Missouri.</td>
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<td>Ultrasound Pregnancy checking and fetal sexing</td>
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<td>By maintaining or improving soil health and water quality through better distribution of nutrients on our forage and beef cattle operations, we ensure future generations will have safe and plentiful natural resources.</td>
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<td>Show Me Beef University</td>
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<td>What determines value on a beef carcass and where are the high value cuts.</td>
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*2011 State Beef Tour Participants at Saunders Cattle Company*  
*Forage Monitoring Using Feed Reader and Pasture Plate Meter*
**AGRONOMY**

**CROP VALUE AN ECONOMIC DRIVER IN ANDREW COUNTY**

Wayne Flanary, Agronomy Specialist, Holt County

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| 182 Andrew County residents participate in agronomic-related events and activities in 2011. | Andrew County learners obtained or renewed their private pesticide applicator’s license and gained knowledge and resources in forage production and management. | - New insects.  
- Try new chemicals.  
- Be more careful with chemicals.  
- Best types of weed control.  
- Different types of insects and control.  
- Be on watch for Red Banded Stink bug.  
- Watch for soybean podworm and effects.  
- New herbicide technology and insect injury.  
- Personal protective equipment.  
- Costs of products.  
- Learned about insect pests that are possibly moving into this area and what to look for. | How would you rate the value of the learning opportunity? On a scale of 5 being excellent and 1 being poor, learners rated the program as 4.5 which would be excellent.  

- Winter Ag Update meetings focus on critical topics such for both row crop and livestock producers. Pest topics such as corn and soybean fungicides, seed treatments, and new technologies are presented yearly at these meetings. Private pesticide applicator license recertification and training is conducted also during the Ag Updates. Other meetings such as the Corn Growers Association meetings are held annually along with other timely meetings to address emerging crop pests and issues. | Winter Ag Update meetings focus on critical topics such for both row crop and livestock producers. Pest topics such as corn and soybean fungicides, seed treatments, and new technologies are presented yearly at these meetings. Private pesticide applicator license recertification and training is conducted also during the Ag Updates. Other meetings such as the Corn Growers Association meetings are held annually along with other timely meetings to address emerging crop pests and issues. |

The value of crops in the Northwest Missouri is an economic driver for the region. The value of all crops including row crop, forages and commercial horticulture are $303 million in the northwest region. To maintain a competitive viable agriculture requires the latest research, education and resources to continue its growth. The agronomic programming effort is focused on timely delivery of crop management information and research to the 7 counties in NW Region. The programming effort is accomplished through media such as radio, newspaper, newsletters, meetings and answering grower’s questions. | Crop management demonstrations are conducted for local growers at the Graves-Chapple Research Center and forage research at the Hundley-Whaley Research Center. Nitrogen management, planting populations, hybrid and variety selection, pest control practices are demonstrated during field days at Graves-Chapple Research Center and nitrogen timing and legumes at Hundley-Whaley Research Center. Research information from the site is delivered through an annual report, on the web and during winter meetings. | Crop management demonstrations are conducted for local growers at the Graves-Chapple Research Center and forage research at the Hundley-Whaley Research Center. Nitrogen management, planting populations, hybrid and variety selection, pest control practices are demonstrated during field days at Graves-Chapple Research Center and nitrogen timing and legumes at Hundley-Whaley Research Center. Research information from the site is delivered through an annual report, on the web and during winter meetings. |
### BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

**ENTREPRENEURS & INNOVATORS: SMALL BUSINESSES IN ANDREW COUNTY**

*Tom Kelso, Business Development Specialist, Holt County*

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<td>• New jobs: 6</td>
<td>In Andrew County, during 2011, business development program specialists and business counselors with MU Extension, Missouri Small Business &amp; Technology Development Centers (MO SBTDC), Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (MO PTAC), Missouri Environmental Program, Missouri Career Options Project, and the Missouri Market Development program served 24 people and their companies with business start-up and management counseling, training, and other assistance. In addition, entrepreneurs and business owners in Andrew County reported the following economic impact and activity as a result of the services provided by the MU Extension Business Development Program:</td>
<td>As entrepreneurs and innovators, Missouri’s small businesses are becoming a more diverse group that continues to make the state’s economy productive. There are approximately 500,000 small businesses in Missouri. Nearly 98 percent of all businesses with employees are categorized as small businesses. In assisting the owners and managers of those businesses, MU Extension contributes to a county’s economic development through growth in jobs, sales, innovation, technology development and commercialization. Overall, the University of Missouri’s Business Development Programs (BDP) served 17,207 people and their businesses state-wide. The total impact for all businesses assisted by the BDP was:</td>
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<td>• Sales increases: $430,000</td>
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<td>• New jobs: 5,765</td>
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<td>• Government contracts: $45,800</td>
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<td>• Sales increases: $235,430,804</td>
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<td>• New businesses: 2</td>
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<td>• Government contracts: $191.5 Million</td>
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<td>• Loans and investments in business: $2,150,000</td>
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<td>• New businesses: 249</td>
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<td>• Clients/companies receiving business counseling: 24</td>
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<td>• Jobs retained: 1,708</td>
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<td>• Business training attendees and conference participants: 10</td>
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<td>• Loans and investments in business: $199,474,000</td>
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<td>• Acquired assets: $77,573,861</td>
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<td>• Investment in commercialization: $151,567,881 in SBIR/STTR or research proposals submitted with $4,337,056 awards received</td>
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The business development faculty contributing to these business successes is from the programs identified above. These staff have regional and statewide assignments and work with businesses in all counties across the state.
ANDREW COUNTY 4-H

ANDREW COUNTY 4-H creates environments in which young people are valued, contributing members of their community. 4-H provides Andrew County youth with hands-on learning opportunities in a safe environment where they can experiment, innovate and think independently with the help of caring volunteers.

RON WALKER, BECKY SIMPSON, & CAROL WILLIAMS

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<td>A community of 131 youths building life skills, engaging in science, and connecting to community. 4-H members supported by 40 youth and adult volunteers. Time valued at 40 volunteers x hours x $18.70 per hour. Volunteers create, support and are part of the 4-H community. Missouri 4-H volunteers responding to a survey report they contribute on average 100 hours per year. Valuing their time at $18.70 per hour, based on average Missouri incomes, the contribution of Andrew County 4-H volunteers was worth more than $74,280 in 2011! More importantly, these adults serve as mentors for our youth, priceless.</td>
<td>February 4, 59 4-H youth and adults enjoyed themselves skiing at Snow Creek. Then on the 6th of February about 20 youth and 20 adults helped clean up during and after the AKC dog show in St. Joseph. This is community service that they were paid will to do. March 5th was the annual fundraiser; this time labeled a Pig Out as we served pulled pork sandwiches with all the trimmings. We served about 200 people at the Minnie Cline Elementary School. We had square dancing afterwards. April was spent with three Saturdays working on the fair grounds. We put three new ventilation fans into the Green Barn. Speaker brackets were put in both the Green Barn and H-barn. We only put the brackets into the H-barn. One youth was chosen to be a counselor at NW 4-H Camp at Crowder State Park. Three youth attended camp from Andrew County. Judges stepped forward for fair and the 4-H council decided to sponsor a Super Farmer contest at the fair this year. We also served refreshments at the county wide teen dance and marched in the parade. Six couples participated in the Super Farmer Contest. It was a beginning and very fun. Planning for expansion next year. We did not have the best turn out for project review. We had 24 youth show 74 projects. We had a good show in the Andrew County Fair parade with about 30 youth and adults. We had great help at the teen dance and sold a lot of pop. The livestock shows were fairly normal, with the largest number of livestock shown in the swine and sheep divisions. Our next money raiser is providing concessions for the North Suburban Conference Swim Meet July 16. We have donated bread and meat to make sub sandwiches and offer drinks, cookies and chips to buy. Recognition forms are due July 11 and the premium for doing that is paid attendance to the Mustangs baseball game July 16. Seven report forms were turned in this year. One youth attended. We recognized volunteers, leaders, and youth who accomplished much during the year. We were blessed to receive a donation from Sara Lee of lunch meat and hot dogs to furnish the meal. We all worked together to provide a ‘Back to School' signups for elementary and middle school nights. We got quite a few new youth involved. Officer Training was held the last of September for club and council officers. About 15 attended. We talked about their specific jobs as officers and then went over parliamentary procedure. September 20 was a volunteer energizer with Julie Schmitt from Buchanan County. We had 4 leaders present and had a good time giving them the information they needed to energize their meetings. October 20 was a volunteer energizer with Julie Schmitt from Buchanan County. We had 4 leaders present and had a good time giving them the information they needed to energize their meetings. October 1 was the Zack Ford Back to 4-H meeting. Had about 25-30 people attend. Eight different presentations by project leaders to encourage youth to get involved in different events. Our recognition dinner was held at the First Christian Church on August 21. Approximately 40 people attended. We recognized volunteers, leaders, and youth who accomplished much during the year. We were blessed to receive a donation from Sara Lee of lunch meat and hot dogs to furnish the meal. We all worked together to provide a ‘Back to School' signups for elementary and middle school nights. We got quite a few new youth involved. Officer Training was held the last of September for club and council officers. About 15 attended. We talked about their specific jobs as officers and then went over parliamentary procedure. September 20 was a volunteer energizer with Julie Schmitt from Buchanan County. We had 4 leaders present and had a good time giving them the information they needed to energize their meetings. October 3 made a window display at Landers Florist to display National 4-H week. Also got an article in the Savannah Reporter. We were awarded the Doane grant for $5,647 to add on to the Green Barn and rewire the H-Barn. We also received a $750 grant for a Rosendale Community Garden. October 6-8 was Interstate at East Hills. Our display from Andrew County won a purple ribbon and Best of Show Award. Drew Williams from Andrew County won Interstate Boy and we had Kairtlyn Ruoff and Drew both present speeches, Kaitlyn also presented a demonstration. Landers allowed us to put a display in their window to celebrate 4-H week. I attended the NAE4-HA National Conference held in Omaha. It was very beneficial to catch up on more science activities that are out there. November 25, 4-H provided crafts and games for the Christmas in Savannah extravaganza. We had about 100 kids come through and had about 20 volunteers and the same number of youth help with the crafts.</td>
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## Andrew County Extension Council

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